



City of Biggs

Agenda Item Staff Report for the Regular City Council Meeting: November 21, 2011 6:00PM

DATE: November 15, 2011
TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
FROM: Pete Carr, City Administrator
SUBJECT: Budget Adjustment for Police School Resource Officer (Discussion/Action)

Council will consider reducing or eliminating funding for School Resource Officer (SRO) services.

Background

SRO services are commonly provided to schools as a proactive policing effort designed to achieve crime prevention and deterrence not possible by trouble call response alone. State grants to schools have in the past helped offset the SRO cost to local police departments.

In fiscal year 2010-2011 (FY11) the City provided \$15,000 to help offset the cost of SRO services at the local Biggs Unified School District campus, at the request of the former school official and in the absence of grant funding through the school. The City also provided \$1500 to help support continued K9 services on campus.

No request for continued SRO or K9 services has been received this year. The FY12 budget set aside \$7500 for SRO, zero for K9, pending demonstrated interest by the school district and partnership with GBPD.

SRO services are currently not being provided in Biggs. GBPD responds to the schools on a when-called basis.

Recommendation:

Direct staff. Options include eliminate the line item as a budgeted expenditure, modify it, let it remain, or let it remain but require review before payment of related invoices.

Fiscal Impact:

Up to \$15,000, all General Fund.